ossessing a degree in Hindi or equialent published work; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons herefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN HE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCA-'ION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Exhibition of Indian Books in Pakistan

775. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased o state:

(a) whether it is a fact that some aluable manuscripts in Urdu have been lost in Pakistan during an exhibition of Indian books held there recently;

(b) whether it is also a fact that no book on India's-composite culture and he freedom struggle was included in the exhibition; and

(c) if so, what are the reasons herefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Setting up of the Advisory Regional Committee by Indian Airlines

776. SHRI R. RAMAKRISHNA. Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Advisory Committees on regional basis have been set up by Indian Airlines recently;

(b) if so, their scope of work, terms of reference and frequency of meeting; and

(c) the basis on which members have been inducted on these Committees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) the Committees have been set up with the object of encouraging two-way communication between Indian Airlines and its users for bringing about improvements in food served on Indian Airlines flights passenger reservations, ground handling, baggage clearance, etc. Committee members represent a cross-section of the travelling public and include eminent lawyers, journalists, businessmen, industrialists, doctors, heads of Public Undertaking, representatives of trade and industry, etc.

Punctuality in the time schedule of Indian Airlines

777. SHRI R. RAMAKRISHNAN: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been recently a spurt in delays and non-adherance to the time schedule of Indian Airlines;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to ensure punctuality in time scheduled?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of reply to part (a) above.

(c) It is the constant endeavour of Indian Airlines to bring about improvements in the on-time performance. To minimise delays, flight operations are monitored every morning and steps are taken to ensure performance of a high standard.